

## FEATURED INFORMATION

### SAVE THE DATE: SUMMER INTERACTIVE SYMPOSIUM 2020

The Research Chair on Gambling, in collaboration with the HERMES team, will be hosting the symposium “Gam(bl)ing: Commodification of Leisure in the Digital Era”, June 8-10 2020, in Montreal. This symposium will be structured around interactive sessions offering roundtable discussions, exchanges in small groups and immersive activities, as well as presentations by researchers and students from a variety of disciplines.

### NEW FACTSHEET: GAMBLING SPENDING AND PROBLEM GAMBLERS

A new factsheet titled “Gambling Spending and Its Concentration Among Problem Gamblers: A Comparative Study of Quebec, France, and Germany” is now available online. This factsheet was prepared by the Research Chair on Gambling Studies and the HERMES team at Concordia University, in collaboration with the Universität Hamburg (Germany), and the “Observatoire des Jeux” (France).

## PUBLICATIONS

- ◆ **Morvannou, A., Monson, E., Savard, A-C., Kairouz, S., Roy, E., & Dufour, M.** (2020). “It did not apply to me”: poker players’ perspectives of prevention messages. *Canadian Journal of Public Health*, 1-10. (early e-version)
- ◆ **Nadeau, L., Dufour, M., Guay, R., Kairouz, S., Ménard, J-M., & Paradis, C.** (2019). Challenges of online gambling for risk and harm reduction. In H. Bowden-Jones, C. Dickson, C. Dunard & O. Simon (Eds.), *Harm reduction for gambling: A public health approach* (chap. 16, pp. 162-171). London: Routledge.

## KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

Our students and researchers actively participated in several conferences over the summer:

- ◆ **Kairouz, S.** (2019, October). *Les jeux de hasard et d'argent à l'ère numérique: du comportement individuel à la responsabilité collective.* Invited presentation at the Colloquium “Rencontres autour du Jeu”, Groupement d'intérêt scientifique, jeu et société. La Sorbonne, Paris, France.
- ◆ **Kairouz, S.** (2019, September). *International collaboration.* Invited speaker at a roundtable at the conference New Critical Directions in Gambling Studies: An International Conference for Early Career Scholars”. Longueuil, Quebec, Canada.
- ◆ **Nadeau, J. & Kairouz, S.** (2019, September). *A gendered overview of Gamblers Anonymous.* Poster presentation at the conference New Critical Directions in Gambling Studies: An International Conference for Early Career Scholars”. Longueuil, Quebec, Canada.
- ◆ **Côté, M., Blanchette-Martin, N., Ferland, F., Tremblay, J., Kairouz, S., Nadeau, L., Savard, A-C., L'Espérance, N., Garceau, P., & Dufour, M.** (2019, June). *Les stratégies d'adaptation des proches de joueurs pathologiques : un levier d'intervention prometteur.* Presentation at the 9<sup>e</sup> Journées nationales de la Fédération Addiction. Perpignan, France.
- ◆ **Blanchette-Martin, N., Ferland, F., Kairouz, S., Tremblay, J., Nadeau, L., Savard, A-C, L'espérance, N., Garceau, P., & Dufour, M.** (2019, June). *Besoins de service et pistes d'intervention auprès des proches de joueurs pathologiques.* Presentation at the 9<sup>e</sup> Journées nationales de la Fédération Addiction. Perpignan, France.

For a complete list of our conference presentations, please visit our [website](#).

## ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

### GAMBLING IN EVERYDAY LIFE: OPENING NEW CONVERSATIONS

On September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Dr. Fiona Nicoll (associate professor, dept. Political science, University of Alberta & chairholder of the *Research Chair on Gambling Policy with the Alberta Gambling Research Institute—AGRI*) presented as part of the Conference Series on Gambling. She discussed how conversations about gambling in everyday life can form an evidence base from which to open new academic conversations about gambling's provision, consumption and regulation.



## SCHOLARSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

The Research Chair on Gambling Studies offers internships and scholarships for students interested in pursuing studies in the gambling field. For more details, you may consult our [website](#).

### HERMES MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The HERMES research team offers scholarships for graduate students interested in digital gambling, gaming and internet. Please visit our [website](#) for further information.

### SUSAN RUSSELL MEMORIAL GRADUATE AWARD

Congratulations to Miss Jessica Nadeau, research assistant at the Chair, for receiving the Susan Russell Memorial Graduate Award. The award is given to master's students who demonstrate the feminist values exemplified by the late Professor Susan Russell in their research.

## NEWS FROM THE GAMBLING FIELD

### “GAMBLING AND PUBLIC HEALTH: WE NEED POLICY ACTION TO PREVENT HARM”

As according to the recent article published by Wardle, H., Reith, G., Langham, E., & Rogers, R.D. (2019), current prevention measures underestimate the harms of gambling on individuals. The authors suggest that public health policies should include a variety of “population based approaches” that are supported by regulations, legislation and funding. [Reference : BMJ 2019; 365:11807](#)

## GAMBLING CONFERENCES

### AGRI 2020

The 19<sup>th</sup> Conference of the *Alberta Gambling Research Institute* entitled [Freedom, Justice & Sovereignty](#) will be hosted at the Banff Center, March 26-28, 2020 (Banff, Alberta, Canada).

### IGC 2020

The [International Gambling Conference](#) will be held at the Crown Plaza Hotel, June 24-26, 2020 (Auckland, New Zealand).

### MCPGSA 2020

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual *Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse* entitled [Building Hope in Recovery](#) will take place at the Hilton Airport in Kansas City, June 17-19, 2020 (Kansas City, Missouri, United States).

### NCPG 2020

The 34<sup>th</sup> Conference of *National Council on Problem Gambling* entitled [Capital Ideas: Accelerating Change](#) will take place at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill, July 22-25, 2020 (Washington D.C., Columbia, United States).

## OTHER CONFERENCES

### DISCOVERY 2020

The *Responsible Gambling Council* will be hosting the [Discovery 2020](#) Conference at the Marriott in the Eaton Center, April 14-16, 2020 (Toronto, Ontario, Canada).

### CSA @ CONGRESS 2020

The Annual *Canadian Sociological Association* Conference entitled [Resisting Racism and Colonialism](#) will be held at Western University, June 1-4, 2020 (London, Ontario, Canada).

### CPA ANNUAL CONVENTION MONTREAL 2020

The Annual Convention the *Canadian Psychological Association* entitled [Psychology in Action](#) will be held at the Western Montreal, May 28- 30, 2020 (Montreal, Quebec, Canada).

### KBS ANNUAL MEETING

The Institute of Psychiatry and Neurology and the State Agency for Prevention of Alcohol-Related Problems will jointly host the [46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting](#) of the *Kettil Brauun Society* at the MsMermaid to be held at the Conference Center - The Tides, June 1- 5, 2020 (Warsaw, Poland).

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